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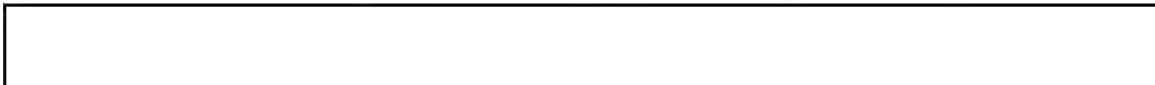
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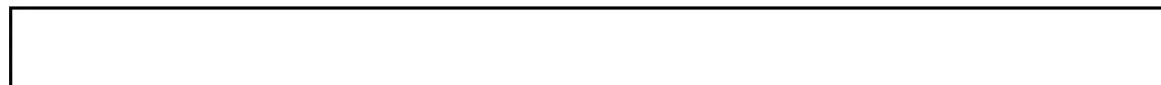


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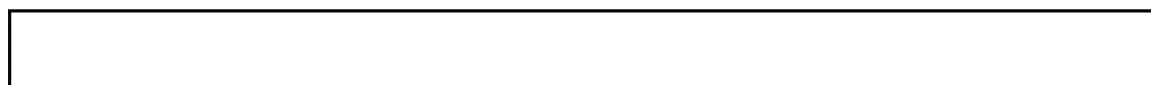
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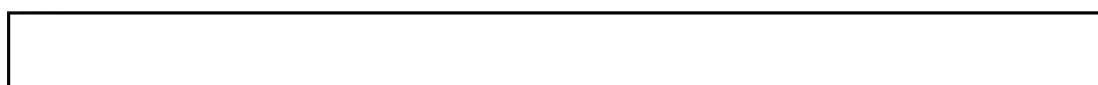
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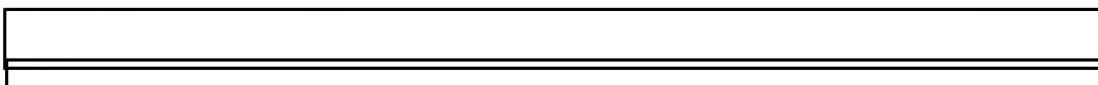
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CHILE: President Allende's assiduous attention to the military apparently continues to work to his advantage.

The prospects that the Chilean military will soon oust Allende are poor,

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several recent shifts in key military assignments indicate that Allende is ensuring that any coup attempt would fail.

Allende will also renew his effort to include at least one top military leader in the cabinet,

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Such an appointment would lend the prestige of the military to Allende's policies and blunt potential military opposition but would not strengthen the cabinet because Chilean military officers are not well trained in political and economic matters, as are their Peruvian counterparts.

Relations with the military have been a top priority with Allende since the murder of the army chief, on the eve of Allende's assumption of power, rallied the armed forces to their role of defenders of the constitution. He has flattered them, defended them against critics, raised their pay, and dealt deftly with their reluctance to be drawn closely into many aspects of his administration. Many in the military strongly resent Allende and his Marxist policies and supporters. It seems certain, however, that the deep divisions and the indecision now so apparent among all Chileans are reflected in the armed forces. Nevertheless, if the power struggle between right and left soon develops into violence, the military and police will hardly be able to avoid taking a stand.

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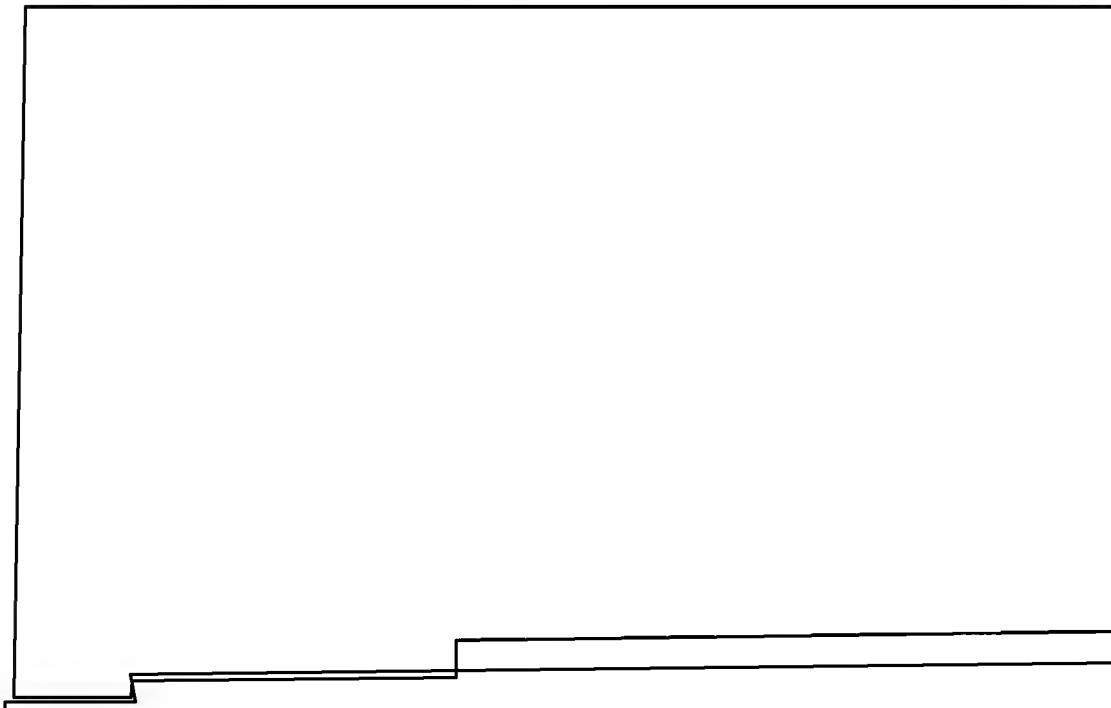
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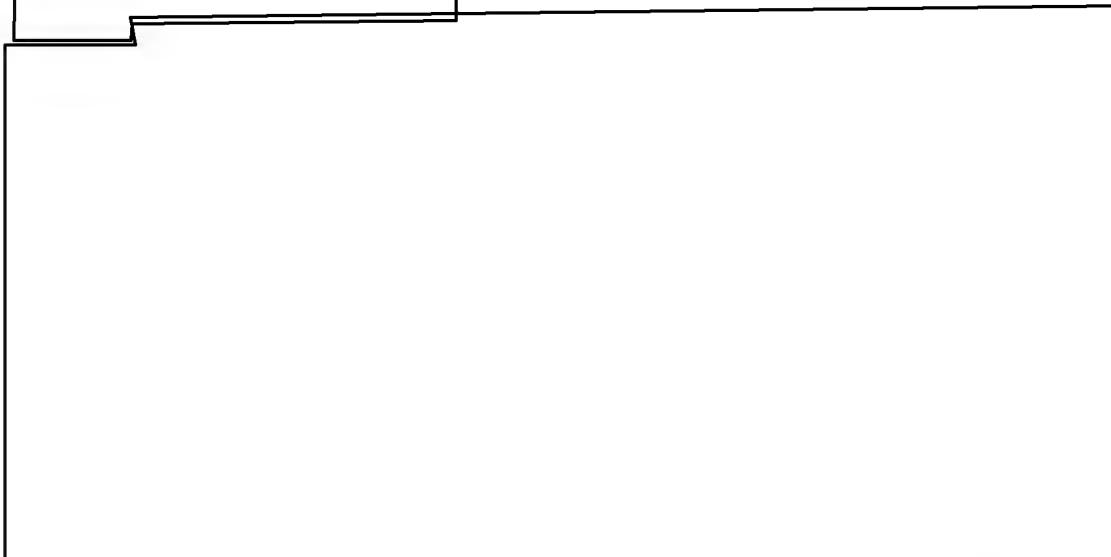
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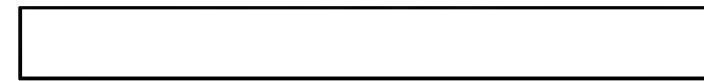
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